

# HOME FOR ORPHANS IS A CENTURY OLD

Public Invited to Visit Washington City Asylum Saturday Afternoon.

"DOLLY" MADISON HEADED ORIGINAL OFFICIAL BOARD

Founding of the Institution Result of Destitution Following the War of 1812.

An atmosphere of pleasant informality and homelike hospitality will mark the exercises scheduled for Saturday afternoon in commemoration of the one hundredth anniversary of the founding of the Washington City Orphan Asylum, 14th and S streets northwest. So many are the friends of this, the oldest institution of its kind within the District of Columbia, that it has been found impossible to issue formal invitations, but its wellwishers have urged by the board of lady managers to pay it a visit on this occasion.

Senator Blair Lee of Maryland, member of the board of trustees, is to speak a few words of welcome at 4 o'clock. It is considered peculiarly fitting that Senator Lee should deliver this welcome, as his mother for fifty years was a member of the board of managers, and, at different times, held executive office therein. Following this there will be a pretty outdoor musical drill and march by the 132 children whose home is within the walls of the building. Open house will be observed, the children acting as guides for their friends and beneficiaries, and tea will be served.

## History of Institution.

An interesting account of the founding and history of the asylum is found in an address delivered by John C. Harkness, for many years a member of the board of trustees, at the exercises in connection with the dedication of the memorial hall in the present structure, May 26, 1885. This room is known as the "Hall memorial," in honor of Dr. James C. Hall, an ardent friend and benefactor of the institution, and on this occasion the venerable W. W. Corcoran presided and speeches were made by R. H. Harkness, Dr. C. W. Wellington, president of Columbian College, now George Washington University, and Judge William M. Merrick, and prayers were offered by Rev. Theodore S. Wykoff and Rev. J. H. Cuthbert.

"The sad results of the war of 1812," said Mr. Harkness, in part, "were not confined to the destruction of the public buildings, but left to the care and sympathy of the citizens a large number of orphaned children. The orphanage resulting largely from the war, Mrs. Gen. John P. Van Ness, moved by the frequency of appeals to her charity, consulted with Mrs. Obadiah Brown, wife of the pastor of the First Baptist Church, as to the feasibility of effecting an organization by which permanent relief could be assured for the helpless orphans of the city and neighborhood.

"As a result of this interview a public meeting was called through the press for the ladies of Washington in its neighborhood, to be held in the Hall of Representatives October 10, 1815, to consider the propriety of establishing an asylum for the relief and maintenance of these orphans. A draft of a constitution was presented to the meeting for consideration, which was adopted and the institution given its name.

## Headed by Mrs. Madison.

The following officers were elected: First directress, Mrs. James Madison; second directress, Mrs. Van Ness; treasurer, Mrs. Josiah Caldwell; managers, Mrs. McGowan, Mrs. Roger Weighman, Mrs. Andrew Ramsey, Mrs. Chalmers, Mrs. Obadiah Brown, Mrs. Joseph Mechin, Mrs. Dr. Blake, Mrs. Dr. Breckenridge and Mrs. Dudley Diggs of Green Hill.

"The institution being duly officered, a small frame house fronting on 10th street northwest near the Avenue was rented, and in this unpretentious structure the orphans and their mothers, on behalf of destitute orphans, it is believed, was made in the Capital city. The managers were for many years dependent on voluntary contributions and church collections. The discrepancy between the income and expenses was at times an occasion of deep concern. At a public meeting held in the basement of Wesley Chapel a collection was proposed, and when no baskets for the purpose could be found a voice was heard:

"Take the orphan boys' hats!" and they were so utilized.

"On the retirement of President Madison and the resignation of Mrs. Madison as first directress, Mrs. James Monroe was elected to the position, but declined. Mrs. Van Ness was then elected and for fifteen years met the onerous duties pertaining to the office. January 3, 1832, the board of managers resolved that a portrait of Mrs. Marcia Van Ness be painted at the expense of the board and placed in the asylum, which portrait is there today.

## Incorporated by Congress.

"To give legal status to the institution Congress incorporated it May 24, 1823, with William Hawley, John P.

Van Ness, Nathan Townson, Obadiah Brown and James Larned as trustees. Closely following this incorporation Congress donated to the institution a number of city lots of an estimated value of \$10,000, which was emphasized by the Van Ness gift of an eligible lot on H street between 9th and 10th north-west on which to build a permanent home. For thirty-eight years within this valued home the managers sheltered, fed, clothed and schooled a large number of orphans.

"The vast addition to the population of the city following the civil war added largely to the number of orphans whose claims could not be ignored. W. W. Corcoran having disclosed a purpose to favor the institution with a permanent site, the managers sold the H street home for \$25,000 and the trustees rented one of the large residences fronting on I street near 2d street northwest, adjoining the then residence of Gen. Grant, from whose family the institution received many kindly attentions. In this temporary home the managers continued their kind efforts until May, 1876. The deed for the present site, 200 by 276 feet, having been executed by Mr. Corcoran, plans for the home were prepared and adopted, and the corner stone was laid July 13, 1865, with Masonic ceremonies. Addresses were delivered by William Whiting of the Masonic order and William Harlan, then Secretary of the Interior, and prayers by Rev. Dr. Gillespie and Rev. P. D. Gurley.

## Managers of Long Ago.

Names familiar to the elder generation of Washingtonians are found in a faded little pamphlet of seven pages the annual report of the managers of the institution for the year 1870. At that time the board of trustees was composed of W. W. Corcoran, William B. Todd, Charles A. Knapp, J. C. Harkness and Dr. James C. Hall. The managers of that year, nearly a half century ago, were Mrs. S. P. Lee, first directress; Mrs. Washington, second directress; Mrs. Edward Temple, treasurer; Mrs. G. S. Gleason, secretary; and Mrs. Brown, Mrs. S. P. Hill, Mrs. W. M. Merrick, Mrs. N. Mulliken, Mrs. J. W. Maury, Mrs. Zellen, Mrs. J. C. Harkness, Mrs. Edwin Green, Mrs. George Head, Mrs. Marshall Brown, Mrs. William B. Todd, Mrs. M. G. Emery and Mrs. Peter Parker.

"There have been admitted into the asylum during the year twenty-four children," runs the report, "thirteen of them girls and eleven boys. Twenty have left, twelve boys and eight girls. We are now forced to put our boys out at from twelve to thirteen years old, and deeply feel the necessity of retaining them longer, so as to insure a good physical development and some business training, so that their services may be sufficiently valuable to gain for them good treatment from those to whom they are hereafter bound.

"These bound children are now a source of more solicitude to the board than those within the sheltering arms of the asylum. Forty-nine boys and sixty-one girls compose the present family, of whom ninety-six receive daily instruction in the schoolroom. Miss Wannall, the matron, and her household have long possessed the entire confidence of the board, and every year confirms its appreciation of their worth."

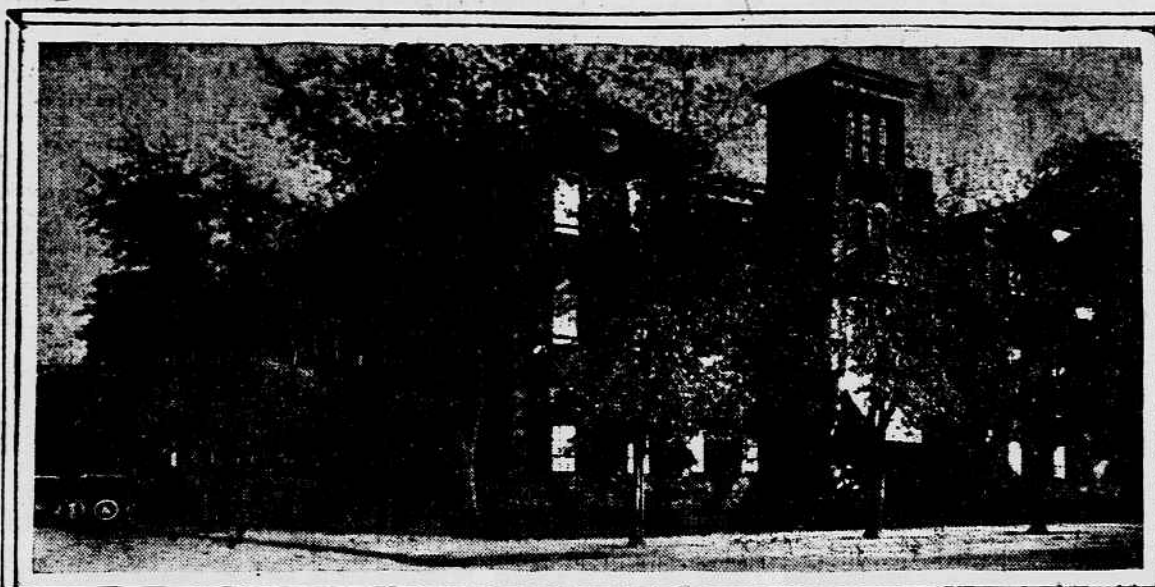
## Helped Care for Orphans.

Among the physicians whose skill and kindness proved them invaluable friends at that time and who were mentioned in the report for their services are Dr. Marbury, Dr. Hagner, Dr. Drinkard and Dr. John Clark. Mrs. Joseph W. Naim received the merited thanks of the board for the supplying of needed medicines, and Mr. Sieman for his continued instruction in singing. The report of the treasurer, Mrs. Temple, showed the receipts to have been \$13,485, the expenditures \$12,062, and the balance in hand for 1871 \$1,423.

The present board of managers, like its predecessors, is composed of women prominent in philanthropic and social circles of the National Capital. Through the death of Mrs. W. M. Merrick of Leicester, Mass., Z. T. Sowers, second directress, has assumed the chief executive office in connection with the asylum. The treasurer is Mrs. E. W. Woodard, the recording secretary Mrs. Aldis B. Browne, the corresponding secretary Mrs. Andrew Bradley, and the registrar Mrs. W. V. Cox. Other members of the board are Mrs. George N. Beale, Mrs. William D. Colt, Mrs. Ben Hellen, Mrs. A. L. Johnson, Mrs. L. L. Johnson, Miss Julia C. Lindsey, Mrs. S. O. Richey, Mrs. Leitch, Mrs. M. M. Anderson, Mrs. Julia D. Strong, and Miss Carrie S. Tisdell. The board of trustees is composed of J. J. Darlington, William E. Edmonston, Senator Blair Lee, F. B. McGuire and Chief Justice Shepard.

Dr. William F. Sowers is the surgeon; Elmer Gruber, three years old, of Baltimore, died as a result of burns from a bonfire in the rear of his home.

## WASHINGTON CITY ORPHAN ASYLUM CELEBRATES 100TH BIRTHDAY



MRS. MARCIA VAN NESS, THE FOUNDER. From her portrait painted in 1833, and now in possession of the institution.

MRS. MARY L. SQUIRES, Present superintendent.

## PRINTERS APPROVE INCREASE.

Union Here Indorses Greater Per Capita Tax to Maintain Home.

A proposition to increase the per capita tax of members of the International Typographical Union 5 cents a month for the purpose of extending and maintaining the Union Printers' Home met with the approval of a majority of the members of the Columbia Typographical Union at an election of that organization yesterday. This was one of four amendments to the laws of the national body proposed at its recent convention in Los Angeles and voted on yesterday.

Another amendment receiving the necessary affirmative votes was one to correct an error of a previous convention by which the amount of the mortuary benefit was increased, and a third passed by the local body proposes to amend the priority laws so as to make any substitute with an office standing of at least sixty days eligible to a vacant situation; it also gives subordinate unions power to establish scale provisions governing the filling of positions and the disposal of extra work.

A fourth amendment passed is intended to abolish seven-day situations and establish a six-day standard for situations throughout the entire jurisdiction, the general laws to be amended to conform with this six-day standard if adopted.

## TAKES DRINK; SHOOTSELF.

Chauffeur's Attempt at Self-Destruction Likely to Be Futile.

"This is the last drink I'll ever take," said Rudolph Hornback, a chauffeur, last night as he stood at the bar in Madras Hotel, Pennsylvania avenue and 3d street northwest, drained a glass of its contents and shot himself in the right chest.

Raymond Trumbo, whose automobile was in front of the hotel when the shot was fired, rushed to the assistance of the wounded man and hurried him to Emergency Hospital. Later in the night Hornback was taken to Providence Hospital.

The wounded man refused to tell the detective why he shot himself. It is believed he will recover.

## Conditions in Haiti Quiet.

Reports to the Navy Department from Admiral Caperton today were to the effect that conditions in Haiti were quiet, and that the revolutionists were disarming. A detachment of marines was said to have marched through the country from Cape Haitien to Fort Liberté. They met with no opposition.

Charles Zamor, representing revolutionists, has conferred with officers of the American force regarding the giving up of arms.

## "LOAN SHARK" LAW ARRESTS.

Two Merchants Accused of Having Charged Excessive Interest.

Two storekeepers were arrested last evening by Detectives Warren and Evans on a charge of violation of the loan shark law. Joseph Goldberg, of 641 D street northwest, one defendant, today in Police Court had his case continued until next Thursday, while Barnett Rosenbloom of 534 8th street southeast, the second defendant, entered a plea of not guilty and demanded a jury trial. Goldberg was released on \$200 bonds, while Rosenbloom gave \$100 cash collateral for his appearance at trial.

According to the police, Goldberg is alleged to have charged an excessive rate of interest on clothing left with him by three different persons, while Rosenbloom is alleged to have charged an excessive rate of interest on jewelry. The police say there are five complaints against him.

## To Discuss Preparedness.

DAVENPORT, Iowa, October 14.—A two-day conference on preparedness, attended by representatives from many of the middle western states, opened here today with a luncheon at which Senator W. S. Kenyon of Iowa, William Lewis, secretary of the Navy League of the United States, and Alice French, known under her pen name of Octave Thanet, were to speak.

## Births Reported.

The following births have been reported to the health department in the last twenty-four hours:

Isaac H. and Victoria A. Trunnell, boy.

Charles L. and Bertha Smith, girl.

John and Vasilina Scoumas, girl.

Charles H. and Dorothy Shaffer, boy.

J. Frank and Rosa M. Phipps, boy.

Louis H. and Elsa I. Otto, boy twins.

John D. and Mary McLaughlin, boy.

Frank and Mary E. Mead, boy.

Earl and Margaret M. Monroe, girl.

Carey E. and Valley A. King, girl.

J. Howard and Eloise E. Jeffers, boy.

William C. and Katie V. Fewell, boy.

Ross and Annie C. Fisher, boy.

Clayton L. and Marion G. Drew, boy.

Charles R. and Edith V. Chambers, girl.

Frank and Ella Young, boy.

John and Mary Johnson, boy.

Stephany and Mary G. Goffney, girl.

Samuel G. and Lillian L. Featherstone, girl.

## Deaths Reported.

The following deaths have been reported to the health department in the last twenty-four hours:

Mary J. Haythe, 83 years, 100 3d street northeast.

Albert O'Neill, 47 years, Tuberculosis Hospital.

Albert B. O'Meara, 69 years, 1023 North Capitol street.

Frederick B. Smith, 85 years, 1800 T street northwest.

Cora E. Anderson, 54 years, George Washington University Hospital.

James A. Myers, 41 years, 56 New York avenue northeast.

David J. Telfair, 68 years, Washington Asylum Hospital.

John S. Swell, 41 years, George Washington Hospital.

Infant of Mr. and Mrs. William H. Holmes, 10 minutes, Garfield Hospital.

Emma Carpenter, 21 years, Freedmen's Hospital.

Nancy Lewis, 65 years, 2203 12th street northwest.

John H. Dorsey, 84 years, 1336 Stanton road southeast.

Maria Lomax, 52 years, 1210 24th street northwest.

John H. Gardner, 22 years, 140 Pierce street northwest.

William H. Bridget, 28 years, 807 44th street, Deanwood.

William S. Young, 52 years, 1680 Kreamer place northeast.

Annie Johnson, 62 years, Freedmen's Hospital.

## STOLEN WATCH RECOVERED.

William Drew, Colored, Held for Theft of Timepiece.

A gold watch stolen from the room of Roy Jeroleman, 225 1st street northeast, July 12, was recovered in Philadelphia yesterday. William Drew, a colored resident of Philadelphia, who pawned the watch for \$5, was arrested and brought here by Detective Burlingame.

The prisoner told the police that he knew nothing of the robbery, and that he had not been in this city until he was brought here under arrest. Drew told Detective Embrey, who investigated the robbery, that the ticket was given to him by a stranger who roomed at his house last month.

A warrant charging Drew with grand larceny was sworn out for the purpose of holding him in custody, and the case is being further investigated.

John M. Cook, fifty-five, who was found unconscious in his room at Baltimore from gas Sunday, is still unconscious in hospital there. The pulmotor protracted Cook's life Sunday and literally brought him back from the grave.

## NEW VEILS

The Draped Veil—50c.  
The Plateau Veil, 75c. and \$1.00.  
Chiffon Bordered Veils, \$1.00.  
They Are the Smart Things.

## Most Extraordinary Values, \$30 and \$35 Fur-Trimmed Velveteen Suits

Color and size assortments complete in four of the season's latest styles for this big event. All made of imported silk velveteen, now so greatly in demand and also so very scarce. Three styles at \$30—one at \$35.

Russian Blouse Suit, silk velveteen, with high fur-trimmed collar—belt and bottom of coat trimmed with four rows of silk braid—in navy, brown, green and black at \$30.00.

Box Coat Suit, in velveteen, broad trimmed in navy, black, green and brown, at \$30.00.

Russian Blouse model, in velveteen, braid and fur trimmed—navy, black, green and brown, at \$35.00.

Velveteen Suits of similar quality, style and tailoring cannot be expected later in the season. Owing to the great demand for Velveteen Suits the price of the imported velveteen is soaring, the wholesale prices of these very models having already advanced from \$2.00 to \$3.00 per garment since we placed our orders a few weeks ago. Are you thinking of a Velveteen Suit? If so, this is a splendid opportunity.

## Extraordinary Cloth Suit Values at \$35

This group provides the best styles and the greatest values so far this season. Distinctive adaptations of the Russian and box coat styles—tailored models and dressy novelties, fur trimmed suits—not to be excelled in quality of making in suits up to \$50.00. Choice of superior broadcloths, whipcords, poplins and novelty cloths—in the fall shades of blue, green, brown, field mouse and, of course, black.



## Half-Yearly Sale of Centemeri Kid Gloves

Beginning tomorrow and continuing for eight business days.

Offering the fashionable winter styles at less than regular prices. This sale is held once each season in order to make new friends for Centemeri Gloves, and many of our regular patrons make it the occasion for buying their entire winter glove supply.

All new, fresh stock; seasonable patterns of embroidery, self and tranchant sewing; street and evening lengths.

At \$1.00 pr. CENTEMERI "CAPITAL" quality, lamb skin gloves; 2 clasps; white, black, Russian blue, mode, brown, white with black embroidery, and both white and black tranchant l.e., with contrasting embroidery and stitching.

At \$1.10 pr. CENTEMERI "CAPITAL" quality, washable Cape gloves in the new buff shade.

At \$1.55 pr. CENTEMERI "FLORINE" quality, French kid gloves; gun-metal tranchant; 2 clasps; a glove that harmonizes with any costume. Regular price, \$1.85 pr.

At \$1.65 pr. CENTEMERI WASHABLE Pique Cape, clasp, tan and buff. The finest and most satisfactory glove ever produced that will wash with soap and water.

At \$2.25 pr. CENTEMERI "NORCROSS" 12-button, white glove Evening gloves.

At \$2.85 pr. CENTEMERI "NORCROSS" 16-button, glove Evening gloves in white and tan.

Advance Holiday Novelties

The first showing. A splendid assortment of styles and colors, exclusive designs, and controlled by us.

The Alberta The Lucie Pique The Florine The Roberta

\$1.65 \$1.65 \$1.85 \$2.25

The Van Dyke Gray Mocha The Fleder The Newport

\$2.25 \$1.50 \$2.50 \$4.00

Holiday purchases made now will be delivered at any time suiting your convenience, an opportunity to purchase the best for Christmas presents.

## Last Two Days! Introductory Sale GOLD STRIPE

## Silk Stockings

These are the silk stockings YOU CANNOT TEAR, because they are knitted from pure silk, which is mighty strong. Heretofore no knitting machine would knit pure silk—it required the introduction of metal to give the thread firmness, and this took from its strength. But Gold Stripe Stockings are pure silk and won't tear. Moreover, if the garter clasp CUTS them and starts a "run" in the garter hem the gold stripe receiving the run from getting into the stockings. Therefore, we can absolutely guarantee them to give you satisfaction, and to induce you to test them by actual wear, offer them for two more days as follows:

\$1.00 Quality—85c pr.—3 prs., \$2.50

BLACK PINK STONE  
WHITE BRONZE SMOKE  
FLESH CHAMPAGNE NAVY  
PLUM PEARL NILE  
SKY BLUE TAUPE COPENHAGEN.

These stockings have silk garter hem—beautiful in appearance and no danger of not wearing well.

\$1.50 Quality—\$1.35 pr.—3 prs., \$3.75

Black and white only—with silk garter hem.

A large shipment received today gives us all sizes and colors again. Colors to match any gown or skirt to order in three, days and orders taken at special prices during the Introductory Sale.

## Dresses

Extraordinarily good values at moderate prices.

Serge and Taffeta Dresses, \$6.75, \$13.50, \$15.50

Prettiest of combination dresses for office, school and dress wear—very smart and serviceable.

Taffeta Dresses, \$15.50 and \$16.50

Plaid and solid color taffetas; jacket and blouse styles; extremely attractive.

Crepe de Chine Dresses, \$19.50

Especially good style, in the new straight line model; box plaided; in all shades.

Exclusive Tailored Silk

## Waists, \$5.90

Smart styles; novelty materials; handsome tailoring; effective stripes, exquisite plaids, changeable shades and almost any plain color.

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Special Attractions in Fur-Trimmed Suits

They represent the height of Suit elegance. Very latest models, richly trimmed.

At \$29.50, \$35.00 and \$40.00

You will find Suits of individuality. The last word in style, quality and value.

Fascinating Millinery

This Millinery Department has found favor with fashionable women. We show models of elegance and refinement at a special price.

\$7.50 for Smartly Trimmed Hats that can't be duplicated under \$12.50 to \$15.00.

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For Afternoon and Evening

One Hundred Smart Coats Special, \$15 White Chinchillas, Novelty Mixtures Many Models	The Season's Best Coats \$15 to \$75 All Materials for Street and Evening Wear
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**New Models in Trimmed Hats, special, \$5, \$7.50 and \$9**

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Hundreds of New Silk Blouses \$2.95, \$3.50, \$5 Crepe de Chine, Georgette, Taffeta Stripes, Plaids and Plain Colors	New Models in White Voile Waists \$1.98 & \$2.98
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